Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar (*Director of Agriculture*): No classified statistics of cattle imported into or exported from the State are maintained.

Fodder crops in Nanjinad.

31. ***Mr. V. Chellam Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to cultivate fodder crops in Nanjinad by Government or to lease out Government lands in Nanjinad for the cultivation of fodder crops ?

Mr. K. R. Narayana Aiyar : No.

Lands in Nanjinad for paddy cultivation.

32. ***Mr. V. Chellam Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is any application for lease of tank-beds and other poramboke lands in Nanjinad out-right or on conditions of conducting experiments in paddy cultivation and the like ;

(*b*) if so, the address of the applicants; and

(*c*) the conditions of lease ?

Mr. I. C. Chacko (*Ag. Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) One petition is received but it is not clear whether it is for lease or sale.

(*b*) Mr. V. S. Swaminatha Pillai, Landlord, Vadiveeswaram, Nagercoil.

(*c*) In case the land is assigned to him he has agreed (1) to abide by the instructions of the Agricultural Department and (2) to invest all capital without asking for a loan or monetary help from Government.

Rice supply.

33. ***Mr. Kochikal P. Balakrishnan Tampi** (*Karunagapalli, Kartikapalli and Ambalapuzha* cum *Shertalla*) : Will the Government be pleased to state if they have taken any steps to overcome the difficulties consequent on the stoppage of import of rice and paddy from Burma, Siam and Indo-China?

Rajyasevapravina G. Parameswaran Pillai : With the declaration of war by Japan there was a marked increase in the price of rice and paddy but prompt measures were taken by Government to prevent any abnormal rise in price and to check profiteering or hoarding with a view to profiteering. Government have accordingly passed the Travancore Essential Commodities (Census) Order, 1117, dated 15th December 1941, and the Notification R. O. C. No. 920/41/C. S., dated 28th December 1941, under Section 81 of the Defence of Travancore Rules. Since then, the rice market within the State has not shown any violent fluctuations. The control measures

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